

AGN. NO.

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS

July 1, 2014

Vermont Corridor Development Alternatives

Currently, the Departments of Mental Health (DMH), Parks and Recreation (DPR), Community and Senior Services (DCSS), and Children and Family Services (DCFS) have administrative offices in the Vermont Corridor, some County-owned and some leased. The facilities owned by the County of Los Angeles (County) have experienced a high level of physical deterioration and the working conditions for the County staff operating from these facilities requires immediate resolution. Additionally, these aged facilities occupy prominent parcels, and there is significant opportunity for economic renewal of the neighborhood through redevelopment of the sites.

I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

1. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to validate the space requirements of the above mentioned departments, and to prepare preliminary space programs for the departments; and

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2. Direct the Chief Executive Officer and the Director of the Department of Public Works to determine an appropriate size for a new building on the Vermont site and an existing building at an offsite location for future acquisition based on the preliminary departmental space programs;
3. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to identify a suitable property and complete negotiations for the acquisition of an offsite property that is compatible with the departmental space program and estimated building size;
4. Direct the Chief Executive Officer, with assistance and input from the Community Development Commission, to report back to the Board of Supervisors within 90 days in writing on the feasibility of a delivery process that streamlines the County's financing capabilities with a recommendation for the most efficient and appropriate delivery process for implementation of the Partial Retention Scenario of the Vermont Corridor Plan;
5. Direct the Chief Executive Officer to report back to the Board of Supervisors within 90 days in writing with a proposed plan and timeline for development, design, and construction of a new building at the Vermont Avenue site and the acquisition of, and completion of tenant improvements at, an existing building to house departmental staff from the Vermont Corridor; and

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6. Direct the Chief Executive Officer, with the assistance and input from the Community Development Commission, to report back to the Board of Supervisors within 90 days in writing with a proposed plan and timeline to issue a Request for Proposal to privately develop and/or sell the remaining County property to ensure proper coordination and timing between the County project and private development in an effort to eliminate blight along the Vermont Corridor, consistent with the joint Chief Executive Officer and Community Development Commission report to the Board of Supervisors dated June 24, 2014.

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